Hog Hunting Seasons for WMAs and Heritage Preserves

Feral hog hunting on WMAs is permitted during any open season for game unless otherwise restricted (see specific WMAs). A hunting license and a WMA permit is required and hunters are required to wear a hat, coat or vest of solid international orange color while hunting. Hogs may not be transported alive. Hogs may not be hunted at night. On WMA lands, weapons used to hunt hogs are limited to the weapons that are allowed for the current open season on each WMA. On Special Hog Still Gun Hunts, weapons may include archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only except as specified for certain WMAs. For Special Hog Hunts with Dogs, no more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party, no still or stalk hunting and only handguns permitted except as specified for certain WMAs.

Swine brucellosis is caused by a bacteria and is primarily a reproductive tract disease in wild pigs that can be transmitted to humans. Infections are manifest by flu-like symptoms including fever, headaches, muscle and joint soreness and weakness. The fatality rate in humans is very low, but the disease often is prolonged and debilitating. Humans have contracted swine brucellosis from handling and dressing wild swine. This disease is present in many wild hog populations in SC. Persons dressing wild swine should take the following precautions: 1) use disposable rubber gloves and protective eyeglasses while dressing the carcass 2) minimize handling of the reproductive tracts of both sexes 3) dispose of waste parts by burying or burning 4) clean up with hot water and soap after processing and 5) cook meat thoroughly to 160 degrees F prior to eating.

Game Zn		•	Still Hunting	Special Hunts with Dogs
1	Caesars Head St. Nat. Area	Greenville	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Chauga	Western Oconee	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Gravely	Oconee, Pickens, Anderson	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Jocassee Gorges	Pickens	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Ashmore HP	Greenville	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Brasstown Creek HP	Oconee	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Buzzard Roost HP	Oconee	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Chestnut Ridge HP	Greenville	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Wadakoe Mountain HP	Pickens	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Watson-Cooper HP	Greenville	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
3	Crackerneck	Aiken	During deer hunts	Jan. 2 through February 27 (Fridays only)
4	Marsh	Marion	During deer hunts; and Nov. 17-22, Mar. 2-21	
4	Little Pee Dee River Comp.	Marion	During deer hunts; and Mar. 6-21	March 2-5
4	Woodbury WMA	Marion	During deer hunts; and Mar. 2 - 21	February 2-14
4	Cartwheel Bay HP	Horry	During deer hunts (archery only)	
4	Waccamaw River	Horry	During deer hunts	March 7 and 14
5	Manchester SF	Sumter	During deer hunts	
5	Samworth	Georgetown	During deer hunts; and Mar. 5-7, 26-28 (elevated stands only) shotguns with slugs, muzzleloaders	
5	Sandy Island	Georgetown	During archery only deer hunts (Oct. 1 - Nov. 29)	
5	Great Pee Dee	Darlington	During deer hunts; and Dec. 1-20, Feb. 2-14	
5	Santee Dam	Clarendon	Archery Sept. 1-Mar. 1, Muzzleloader Sept. 15-Mar. 1	
5	Santee-Delta	Georgetown	During deer hunts; and Mar. 18-20 (elevated stands only) shotguns with slugs, muzzleloaders	March 21 and March 28
6	Bear Island	Colleton	During deer hunts - October	March 6-8
6	Bonneau Ferry	Berkeley	During deer hunts	
6	Donnelley	Colleton	During deer hunts	March 6-8
6	Edisto River	Dorchester	During deer hunts (Sept. 15 - 3rd Sat. in Nov.)	
6	Francis Marion Nat. Forest			
	Hellhole	Berkeley	During archery and still gun deer hunts (bet. Aug. 15 & Jan. 1)	
	Waterhorn	Berkeley	During archery and still gun deer hunts (bet. Sept. 24 & Jan. 1)	Feb. 7, 21 (handguns, shotguns, buckshot only)
	Wambaw	Berkeley	During still gun deer hunts (bet. Aug. 15 & Jan. 1)	Feb. 14, 28, Mar. 7 (handguns, shotguns, buckshot only)
	Northampton	Berkeley	During still gun deer hunts (bet. Aug. 15 & Jan. 1)	
	Santee	Berkeley	During still gun deer hunts (bet. Aug. 15 & Jan. 1)	
6	Santee Coastal	Charleston, Georgetown	During deer hunts	Feb. 12, 26, Mar. 20, 27
6	Webb	Hampton	During deer hunts and Sept. 4-6 Mar. 19-21, May 14-16	Sept. 11-13, Mar. 5-7, 12-14
6	Hamilton Ridge	Hampton	During deer hunts and Sept. 4-6 Mar. 19-21, May 14-16	Sept. 11-13, Mar. 5-7, 12-14
6	Palachucola	Hampton, Jasper	During deer hunts and Sept. 4-6 Mar. 19-21, May 14-16	Sept. 11-13, Mar. 5-7, 12-14
6	Yawkey	Georgetown	Periodic announced hunts	